views on the subject, Government's endeavour is to seek a consensus and evolve a nationally acceptable policy after holdig wider consultation with the State Governments and others concerned, efforts for which are on.

Vacant Posts for SCs/STs

†2068. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacant posts out of total Group-A category posts reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, at present; and

(b) the number of posts vacant in the Central Government and State Governments, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Information in respect of Central Government is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House. The Central Government does not maintain information regarding State Governments and that is done by the State Government concerned.

Pending corruption cases

2069. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of corruption cases, which are being investigated by the Central Bureau of Investigation, pending trial in different courts of the country, as on date;

(b) the reasons for the long pendency of the cases; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for early trial of these cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) As per the information furnished by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI),

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